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SUBJECT: FOURTH OF JULY CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

1. PLEASE CONVEY FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT MARCOS
FROM PRESIDENT FORD:

QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

"YOUR KIND AND THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON
THE OCCASION OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINTH ANNIVER-
SARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE AS A NATION SYMBOLIZES THE CLOSE
FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL RESPECT WHICH HAVE LONG CHARACTERIZED
RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES. SINCERELY, GERALD R.
FORD UNQUOTE.

FYI. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT
FROM MARCOS:

"ON THE OCCASION OF THE 199TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARA-
TION OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES, THE FILIPINO
PEOPLE JOIN ME AND MRS. MARCOS IN CONVEYING SINCERE FELICI-
TATIONS AND BEST WISHES STOP MAY I EXPRESS MY FERVENT HOPE
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THAT PHILIPPINE AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP SHALL CONTINUE TO GROW
EVER STRONGER FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES
AND PEOPLES."

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE MESSAGE BUT HAS NO

OBJECTION IF GOP WISHES TO DO SO. INGERSOLL

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